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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 05 October 2009.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 37,38,40-55 and 57-74 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☒ Claim(s) 37,38,40-55,57-71 and 74 is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 72 and 73 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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DETAILED ACTION

Response to Arguments

Applicant's arguments with respect to claims 37-38, 40-55, and 57-74 have been considered but are moot in view of the new ground(s) of rejection.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 101

1. 35 U.S.C. 101 reads as follows:

Whoever invents or discovers any new and useful process, machine, manufacture, or composition of matter, or any new and useful improvement thereof, may obtain a patent therefor, subject to the conditions and requirements of this title.

Claim **72** is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 101, because the claimed invention is directed to non-statutory subject matter. The preamble of claim 72 “**A computer-readable medium**” lacks proper support in the specification, i.e., the specification does not state, or given example what is “a computer-readable medium” are...Therefore, it is a transitory signals per se.

Note: the suggestion, the dependent claim is more simply and better to depend on one claim (See claim 71, 72).

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

2. The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

Claim 73 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over

Dennis (US Patent No: 6,542,733) in view of Rogers (US Patent No:

6,360,108).

As to claim 73, Dennis discloses a method for processing user identifiers stored in a terminal for telecommunications networks (See Abstract "Users add telephone number and configure profile information on the wireless device which linked to the wireless network"), comprising: modifying the user identifiers by including an identification code of an operator selected by a user of the terminal or at least one of a country prefix and a local prefix; selectively organizing said user identifiers in one of a plurality of configurations (page 3, lines 20-40 "allows the user to enter telephone numbers or other information") , said plurality of configurations comprising at least a first and a second configuration (col. 4, lines 5-40 "the personal profile system can be configured so that the user can select special code or long distance service"); and receiving from the user of the terminal information relating to a location of said terminal and the operation of switching said user identifiers between said first configuration and said

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second configuration following the receipt of the information (col. 4, lines 5-10, col. 5, lines 22-34) , wherein said first configuration comprises the user identifiers organized with the insertion of the identification code of the operator selected by the user of the terminal, wherein said second configuration comprises the user identifiers organized with the inclusion of at least one of the country prefix and the local prefix (col. 4, lines 25-40, col. 5, lines 23-51 “user can select to have a default setting which is stored the number in memory or user could assign special codes of country and a local, for example: 01; 995-555-1234”), and wherein the modified user identifiers are stored in the terminal (col. 6, lines 15-25). However, Dennis does not disclose a country prefix and a local prefix.

In the same field of endeavor, Rogers discloses a country prefix and a local prefix (See col. 6, TABLE 1 “provided a country prefix and a local prefix”; col. 6, lines 1-64). Therefore, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to provide a country prefix and a local prefix as taught by Rogers to the system of Dennis in order to offer the advantage of mobile telephone users when they are traveling.

Allowable Subject Matter

3. Claims 37-38, 40-55, 57-71, and 74 are allowed.

Conclusion

4. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to PHUOC DOAN whose telephone number is (571)272-7920. The examiner can normally be reached on 10:00AM to 6:00PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, LESTER KINCAID can be reached on 571-272-7922. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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